

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Mantralaya, Bombay-400 032, dated the 28th February 1977.

No.FNR-1076/1486/977/GEN-5.-In exercise of the powers conferred by Article 166 of the Constitution of India and all other powers enabling him in that behalf the Governor of Maharashtra is hereby pleased to make the following rules further to amend the Bombay Financial Rules, 1959, namely:-

(1) These Rules may be called the Bombay Financial (Amendment No.1) Rules, 1977.

(2) In the Bombay Financial Rules, 1959, in rule 72, in clause (b), in sub-clause (a), for the word and figures "Rs.2,500" the word and figures "Rs.5,000" shall be substituted.

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In rule 72, in note 2, for the word and figures "Rs.7,500" shall be substituted.

In rule 72, after note 4, the following note 5 and note 6 shall be added:-

Note 5.- In case of any doubt payment shall be made only to the person(s) producing the legal authority.

Note 6.-The procedure to be followed in regard to the preferment, withdrawal and disbursement of claims of deceased Government servants to their rightful claimants will be as under:-

On receipt of the claim for payment of arrears of pay and allowances on behalf of a deceased Government servant from his heir/heire, the Head of the Office in which the Government servant was last employed should draw the amount in the appropriate bill form from the treasury. The claims should be supported by all the relevant certificates which the Head of the Office is required to furnish in the normal circumstances. However, in respect of the certificates, which solely depend on the personal knowledge of the Government servant, and which obviously cannot be furnished by the Head of the Office, the Head of Office should record if he is satisfied about the correctness of the claim and furnish a certificate to the effect that the claim is not susceptible of verification but is considered reasonable. In the case of Gazetted Officers, the Head of the Office has to satisfy himself by reference to the Accountant General, the departmental authorities concerned, if any, and his own records that there are no demands outstanding against the deceased Government servant. In the case of other Government servants payments may be made without reference to the Accountant-General on the responsibility of the Head of Office concerned. The amount should be disbursed to the claimant/claimants by the Head of the Office of his own where the gross amount of claim does not exceed Rs.5,000 in terms of rule 72(b)(a) above and under orders of higher authorities if the gross amount of

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the claim exceeds Rs.5,000 as mentioned in rule 72(b)(b) above. A formal receipt, stamped, where necessary, should be obtained from claimant(s).

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

V.S. DHARURKAR,
Section Officer.